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DEPARTMENT PASS NEA/PAB FOR CURRAN

ANKARA FOR DCM BERGUS FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: ATRN, AF (FLOYD, CARROLL L.; THOMPSON, LARRY C.;
ATKINS, THURSTON)

SUBJ: HHE OF FLOYD, THOMPSON AND ATKINS

REF KABUL 0290 AND PREVIOUS (NOTAL)

1. I HAVE BECOME INCREASINGLY CONCERNED OVER THE PAST TWO MONTHS AS A LENGTHY SERIES OF MESSAGES EXCHANGED BETWEEN THIS POST AND EMBASSY ANKARA HAS FAILED TO PRODUCE ANY VISIBLE PROGRESS IN GETTING SUBJECT HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS TO THEIR OWNERS HERE, TWO OF WHOM (FLOYD AND THOMPSON) ARRIVED AT POST SIX MONTHS AGO. MOREOVER, THIS CONCERN HAS BEEN HEIGHTENED BY THE FACT THAT SOME OF OUR MESSAGES, INCLUDING REFTEL, HAVE NOT BEEN ANSWERED TO DATE.

2. I HAD APPEARED THAT TED CURRAN'S MESSAGE OF DECEMBER 22 TO YOU (KABUL 8314) HAD BROKEN THIS IMPASSE, TO JUDGE FROM YOUR HELPFUL RESPONSE (ANKARA 9385 OF 24 DEC). BUT NOW, ONE MONTH LATER, WE STILL HAVE RECEIVED NEITHER THE SHIPMENTS NOR ANY STATUS REPORT ON THEIR WHEREABOUTS OR ETA.

3. THE FAMILIES INVOLVED URGENTLY NEED THEIR EFFECTS, PARTICULAR WINTER CLOTHING, AND I FEEL WE MUST GET THE
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EFFECTS HERE BY THE FASTEST MEANS POSSIBLE. IT SEEMS TO

ME THAT THIS WOULD BE THE UTILIZATION OF AIR FREIGHT
FACILITIES, AS SUGGESTED IN REFTEL.

4. YOUR PERSONAL ATTENTION TO THIS MATTER WILL BE MOST
APPRECIATED---BY THE FLOYDS, THOMPSONS AND ATKINS, TO
BE SURE, AND ALSO BY MYSELF. BEST REGARDS TO YOU AND YOUR
CHIEF.
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